

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Dance and Music Universities
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Arts and Music Universities and colleges are functioning only in Rajasthan which are assisted or operated by the State Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the manner in which the Union Government provided assistance to the State Government in this regard;
- (d) if not, State-wise, location-wise details of the Universities and colleges being run solely or in affiliation with the States, Union Government or autonomous bodies in the country; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up new Arts and Music colleges in the country to encourage the cultural activities and their originality intact and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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- (a) to (c): Ministry of Human Resource Development through University Grants Commission (UGC) provides financial assistance to Universities and Colleges, including Universities and Colleges dedicated to Arts and Music which are recognised under Section 2 (f) and 12 (B) of UGC Act, 1956. The UGC has informed that it has not provided any assistance to Arts and Music Colleges situated in Rajasthan. However, UGC provides development assistance to eligible State Universities in each Plan period. This assistance can be utilised for the creation and development of infrastructure including building, labs, library etc. in all the teaching departments including the department of Arts and Music in the Universities. During the XIth Plan period, 159 Universities including Universities in Rajasthan were provided assistance by UGC.
- (d): The list of Arts and Music Universities in the country as provided by UGC is at Annexure-I. The list of Arts and Music Colleges receiving financial assistance from UGC is at Annexure-II. Further, Ministry of Culture has informed that Kalakshetra Foundation, an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Culture is an Institution of National Importance. This Foundation has been running Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts in Dance, Music, Instruments and Visual Arts at Chennai.
- (e): At present, there is no such proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.